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SCANDAL.

A woman to the holy father went,
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And her misdemeanors, great and small,
She faithfully rehearsed them all;
And, chieftest in her catalogue of sin,
She owned that she a tail-bearer had been,
And borne a bit of scandal up and down
To all the long-tongued gossips in the town.
The holy father for her other sins
Granted the absolution asked of him;
But while for all the rest he pardon gave,
He told her this offence was very grave,
And that to do fit penance she must go
Out by the way-side where the thistles grow,
And gathering the largest, ripest one,
Scatter its seeds, and when this was done,
She must come back again another day
To tell him his command she did obey.
The woman thinking this a penance light,
Hasten to do his will that very night
Feeling right glad she had escaped so well.
Next day but one she went the priest to tell;
The priest sat still and heard her story through,
Then said, "There something still for you to do;
Those little thistle seeds which you have sown,
I bid you go regather every one."
The woman said "But father 'twould be vain
To try to gather up those seeds again:
The winds have scattered them both far and wide
Over the meadowed vale and mountain's side."
The father answered, "Now I hope that from th i
The lesson I have taught you will not miss;
You cannot gather back the scattered seeds,
Which far and wide will grow to noxious weeds,
Nor can the mischief once by scandal sown
By any penance be again undone.

—*Mary E. C. Johnson in Montreal Witness.*

CO-OPERATION.

BY ALFRED B. MASON.

It is now ten years since some clerks in the London Post-Office found themselve unable to live on their pay. They asked for more, and were refused. The answer came on a foggy November afternoon, a day that was gloomy enough without bad tidings. Three of the men, talking over the dismal present and the dreary future, resolved to try what co-operation could do. They canvassed their fellows, and found a dozen who were willing to buy among them fifty pounds of tea. The money was paid in on the spot. The next morning, one of the original three, on his way to the office, bought at a wholesale store half a chest of tea. After office hours, the purchase was duly divided. The amount saved was twenty-five cents a pound. The story of this success speedily spread abroad. Within three days, the triumviate had orders for another half chest.

Soon they began to buy in somewhat larger quantities. They put the tea in an empty closet in the post-office, and hired the porter to weigh it out to the different purchasers, paying him for his trouble with the pound or so which each chest contained over its nominal weight. Little by little they added a few other staple articles to their stock. The old cupboard, their first store, was now too small. They hired a little room in the topmost story of a neighboring building for a few dollars a month. This was considered to be a most daring step. But their business speedily outgrew these narrow quarters. They were crowded out of room after room. Five years ago they moved into a building of their own, for which they paid $200,000. It is several stories high, with a frontage of perhaps a hundred feet on each of two streets; it is crowded with goods, clerks, and customers. The Civil Service Supply Association, as it is called, sells $5,000,000 worth of goods a year; moreover, it has arrangements with a great number of the best firms in London, by which its members can buy from these firms for cash at from twenty to forty per cent. discount. The business done in this way is estimated at $5,000,000 more. Nine years ago, the association began by selling half a chest of tea. Its growth is a most joyous fact. It has been, however, a most alarming fact to the retailers of London. Two years ago, they petitioned Parliament to forbid the government employees engaging in such enterprises. The petitioners took their revenge by driving Mr. Thomas Hughes from his place in the Commons. When a number of the underpaid clergy of the Church of England undertook to imitate the Civil Service clerks their proposed league was broken up, it it is said, by the threat of an organized bolt of small tradesmen into the dissenting sects.—*May Atlantic,*

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The contents of APPLETONS' JOURNAL for March are as follows: "A Seat in the Chair of Destiny," being the real and traditional history of the Stone of Scone placed in the Coronation Chair in Westminster Abbey; "The Golden Mesh," a story by M. E. W. S.; "The Position and influence of women in Ancient Athens;" "A Comedy of Superstition," being a description of a remarkable play by the Spanish dramatist Calderon; "On the Choice of Books," by Frederic Harrison; the begining of a new novel by Walter Besant and James Rice, entitled "The Seamy Side;" "Apples: a Comedy," by Julian Sturgis: "A Night with the Sardines," an adventure in the bay of Biscy. Then follow the editorial Departments. The editor writes of the Academy Exhibition, the success of "Pinafore," and "The Discipline of Education." There are a number of book criticisms, Dr. Busch's "Bismarck" and Hamerton "Life of Turner" being reviewed at considerable length.

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—*The* NATIONAL CONFERENCE *of Colored Men will be held at* NASHVILLE, TENNESEE, *Tuesday, May* 6, 1879.

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THINGS IN SOUTH CAROLINA

SEEN THROUGH THE EYES OF A COLORED MERCHANT.

CHARLESTON, S. C.
March 4, 1876.

A meeting of the business men connected with Emanuel Street A. M. E. Church was held on the above date at Bro. Grant's house, to take into consideration the plans for the purpose of forming institutions for the protection of the colored people, not only of this city, but the land over. Those present were S. D. Price, C. S. Talbot, M. N. Haywood, S. J. Hayne, George Simpson, Abraham Gray and Green. The meeting was opened with devotional exercises, after which, the chairman, Brother S. D. Price called on Rev. T. E. Green to explain the purpose of his plans, which was done. After reviewing the various institutions established by us, as a people, he said, the cause of their failures was, those who got up all these institutions had the handling of the money. He did not desire to handle their money, but he would show them, by organization, how they could establish financial institutions, which in a few years would make them and their children immensely rich. The means to be handled by their own men. He would only manage the business working of the affairs. He stated the many reasons why we should organize, after which he presented his plans.

After its reading, on motion, it was carried that the plans as presented be accepted and we set to work to get it into operation as soon as possible.

Brother Green further stated that he, of course expected a if such an institution could be started, that he would the brethren to provide him with a place to stay and something to eat. On motion it was carried that the last request of Brother Green be taken into consideration. There being no further business the meeting adjourned to meet March 5, 1879.

March 6th. 1879.

We visited Mr. A. C. Hayne, and C. S. Talbot at their cotton ware-houses and presented the plans, and then the question was asked. Bro. Haynes what do you think of these plans? "Don't you think they will be the only means, by which we can become a people—honored and respected as other people?"

"Well,' Bro. Green, I tell you, we are living among a people who defy every thing which looks to the elevation of the Negro. I say as I have said on former occasions since conversations of this kind, that in time all these matters will come right, which you speak of to-day. We have started institutions of this kind in this city, and they failed, first because we had not the means to sustain them, and secondly, because the opposition was too great, and thirdly, owing to failure of the Freedman's Bank, our people have lost confidence in each other."

"Now in answer to your first proposition. You say you have not got the means. I will show you that you have the means in your hands. 1st. the colored people do 80 per cent of the work of the city and vicinity. It is said you have 38,000 colored people in your city. Suppose you open a 5 cent Savings Bank called the Colored People's Savings Bank of Charleston S. C. We say that the 38,000 colored people in this city and vicinity deposited 2½ c. per day, that would make $950 per day, multiply that by ten years and it would give you as a capital $3,420,000. Is not that means enough to start any kind of business you desire and perpetuate it.?

"Secondly, so far as opposition is concerned, when you have this capital to back you, you could make business with any business house in this country. No matter what their color, the question would never be asked, are you a black man? But he is a man of business and therefore will be respected as such, without regard to color or previous condition of servitude.

"Thirdly, the reason why we have no confidence in each other; we acknowledge the failure of the Freedmao's Savings Bank. but, because that failed are we to lay our hands down and say, because that bank failed we must lay our hands down and do nothing. I ask you, ought that be done? Any one will answer, no."

W. G. ALEXANDER,
Recorder.

(*To be Continued.*)

From the St. Paul (Minn.) *Globe* we learn the following facts concerning Mr. S. S. Hardie the choice of the colored citizens of Minnesota to represent them at Nashville, Tenn:

Mr. Hardie is a gentleman of unusual intelligence and ability, having worked his way to a position of commanding respect among the colored citizens of St. Paul. Born in Grenada, Mississippi, in 1855, he removed to Vicksburg with his parents when only 7 years of age. From thence he was taken by an army officer to St. Louis, migrating to Minnesota in 1869. Being a young man of good promise, and especially noted for his intelligence, honesty and sobriety, he succeeded in making many friends, becoming connected with the Catholic church in 1871, being made treasurer of the Society of Earnest Workers, a member of the Pope Pius IX. Benevolent and Father Matthews Temperance society, and president of the Robert Banks Literary society.

The May number of the *North American Review* has an article by the Hon. George W. McCrary, Secretary of war, on "Our Election Laws." The writer says that a government based upon popular suffrage can be successful in the best sense, only to the extent that the public choice is truly expressed, fairly ascertained, and fully obeyed; and that in such a government the importance of providing efficient safeguards for the purity and sanctity of the ballot cannot be overestimated. He points out the defects in our present system, and suggests means for securing honest results.

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Cardozo released at last.

Forty-two pages of the Congressional Record of Tuesday are taken up with an enumeration of the bills introduced.

The Democracy have scarcely standing room in Congress. Blaine, Logan, Robeson and Frye have knocked the ground from under them.

We present our readers the first of an installment of letters which give in detail the labors of Mr. T. E. Green and W. G. Alexander in South Carolina. The most cheering fact is their labors have not been in vain.

Brother Corprew should visit Washington and here he will find Methodists of all denominations, Baptists and Presbyterians working harmoniously in Sunday school work. A scene we will not long forget was at the memorial services in Asbury M. E. Church when the oration to the memory of an A. M. E. superintendent was pronounced by a prominent Baptist and that to the memory of a Baptist worker was strongly corroborated by a Methodist superintendent.

Probably our readers will be glad to learn that the mechanical work on our paper is done entirely by two colored lads of this city, who have learned in our office within the past eighteen months all, they know of type-setting.

The young Prince of Bolivar arrived in town last Monday morning. Mother is doing well and the Senator is receiving the congratulations of his friends.

The movement to aid the emigrants is really booming. Kansas comes nobly to the front, and Massachusetts joins her. In the former place Monday night at the State Capitol there was a grand meeting, the Governor presiding, and Boston held one on Thursday at which the Gov. Talbot presided. The colored people in New York and Philadelphia are doing nobly. Ex-Cadet Minnie figures conspicuously in the New York movement. The colored people of Chicago hold a grand entertainment for the benefit of the refugees, Monday night. Is it not time that Washington should hold an immense mass-meeting? Washington should be good for a thousand dollars in two days.

Frederick Douglass is a matchless orator. When he advises against migration he may be serving a good cause, but when told that he turns a deaf ear to the sufferings of the thousands who are fleeing Kansas-ward, we are not surprised that a New York colored audience should hiss. Last fall when the yellow fever was at its height, his name sufficed to open the colored pulpits of this city to the wail of sufferings.

Why does he not do as much to-day? Having been himself once a fugitive slave, he ought to know how to sympathize with the thousands who are imitating his former actions. Certainly he was philosopher enough not to dream thirty years ago that the entire South was to be liberated by means of the Under-Ground Rail Road. He ought not to conclude that to give aid and comfort to the fugitives means to rid the South of its entire black population. To-day on this question, Frederick Douglass stands on one side; Henry Highland Garnett, Wm. Lloyd Garrison, Wendell Phillips on the other.

"A Negro in a snow bank makes a ridiculous picture, the colors don't blend, and therefore, he should not go to Kansas." Well! what's the matter with the Marshal? We always knew he was a master of humor and sarcasm, but this argument is a squelcher.

Twelve years ago Mr. Douglass wrote, "I have been complimented as the great black man of the North, but my greatness is to be overshadowed if not made ridiculous by the new men rising up under the fostering wings of freedom and education at the South?" We could hardly believe then that the time would come when the prophesy would be realized.

Read the advertisement of the Ira Aldridge Club.

THE CONFERENCE AND ITS WORK.

May 6th draweth nigh, when the proposed National Conference assembles at Nashville, Tenn. From many indications, it will be more largely attended than was at first expected. Unforeseen circumstances have given it peculiar prominence. The Negro problem, since the calling of the meeting, has been presented to the country in a new phase, and men once more are in a humor, both North and South, to a certain extent, to listen to the appeals made, the statements set forth, and the policy enunciated, by men who represent the different interests of the race.

The country has its eyes open, looking with no ordinary interest to Nashville to see if in representative men selected and chosen because of their ability, devotion to race, and public spirit there is anything of that true leadership of adopting means to ends in ameliorating the condition of our race, or guiding its steps along the path of progress of which we so often boast.

It is not expected that any sudden revolution is to be effected by the mere assembling of the conference and its acts. It would be an unfair and unreasonable test of its success to demand for it instantaneous fruits. The malady which it is designed to heal, is too radical, too chronic, to be healed at once by *local* treatment, however heroic. The remedies to be proposed for the unification of the race, so far as it is necessary to assert rights for their operation, require time for their development. Large bodies move slowly and deliberative bodies of this character only are effectual in proportion to the persistent and constant manner in which they follow up their work by repeated meetings. The Conference meets this year at Nashville; the next year at another point, and so on until every large center of population has witnessed its deliberations and is made a strong witness to the ability, forethought and patriotism of the Negro race. But what the race, the friends of the freedmen, and the cause demand, is that there shall be harmony, in our councils, earnestness in our deliberations and faithfulness to the original designs of the gathering.

This much, at least it can do, and that is, give the country correct information as to the condition of the race in matters of education and religion, enumerate, all and singular, the obstacles to our moral and social growth and development, and furnish the data which determines the policy to be pursued in order to acquire certain specific ends. We therefore, trust that each gentleman attending the Conference will not only show himself worthy of the confience reposed in him, but come prepared to contribute to the grand aggregate by reliable information on all the topics to come before the body.

THE CONFERENCE.

We learn that Alabama will be very largely represented in the proposed conference at Nashville—at least five or six contemplate going from our city. Delegates will be in attendance from Mobile, Selma, Tuscumbia, Huntsville and Florence. —*The Advance.*

That's right, Bro. Scott. Alabama will be on hand. Some weeks since you said Alabama would not not be represened, but facts were too overwhelming and you not only own up, but give your readers a list of the topics to be discussed. "While the lamp holds out to burn &c."

The *Western Sentinel* in referring to the Executive Committee of the National Conference as self-established exhibits "a zeal not according to knowledge." For a year or more the propriety of a national gathering has been admitted. Somebody had to inaugurate it. Soon as it is inaugerated, the *Western Sentinel* cries, "self-established." The S. wagers a bran new hat. If any one can tell what benefit these topics will be to the people? We have a hankering after that new hat, especially as ours has several holes in it. Only in its last issue the *Sentinel* discussed the mortality of the colored people. Of course it believes this discussion will lead to some good, and yet this is embraced in the second topic to be presented at the conference, not to any one man, for consideration, Again: the *Sentinel* sympathizes with the refugees. That's right and proper, but is it not likely that a discussion of the topic of migration will result in such an organization as will aid and promote the exodus?

Come to the Conference, Bro. *Sentinel*. You may receive some enlightenment.

Go next Thursday night to Ford's Opera House.

NORFOLK NOTE.

One evening last winter bills announced that an entertainment would be given at the Masonic Hall at which a marriage would take place, as much as the names of several female characters, it attracted in a certain circle considerable attention and a great many went to the Hall to see who the contracting parties were.

At the appointed time the room appeared with the bride, a gentleman from the country officiated, and in a manner suited the question to the lady and gentleman and the crowd enjoyed a mock marraige, after which they danced till near morning. Friday evening last news reached the young man that his mock bride was about to be married and he immediately informed the lady that she had once married him, and that the ceremony was performed by a magistrate and, therefore, he claimed her as his lawful wife. Her intended husband heard of it and several hours before the appointed time, visited her at her parents' home and consulted about the matter, a lawyer was sent for, he made the matter worse by citing the legal penalty. Did the matter go to court? In the meantime a license was obtained and quite early in the evening a hack conveyed the parties to minister's house and in the presence of several neighbors who had been called in, he announced them man and wife. This seems to enrage the claimant and he has notified the groom of his intention of suing him for abduction. So much for playing marrying.

It is all nonsense to say that the Negro will not patronize his own color, he will and does do it, all the Negro needs is proper instruction.

The Hannibal Guards, Captain Mills, now numbers sixty eight members, their roll was fowarded to the Adjutant General last week preliminary to their being mustered.

In the adjacent North Carolina counties, the African fever has broken out again among the Negroes, a hundred and sixty acres of Kansas land will lure it.

The changes of the white folk's redemption is improving as may be seen by the following notice, which appeared in "The Virginian" Saturday morning. Rev. W. D. W. Schureman, the eloquent and popular colored Methodist divine, will preach in the Bute Street A. M. E. Church tomorrow night at 7½ o'clock on a special subject. This appointment is made in deference to the wishes of a number of our white citizens who desire to hear Elder Schureman, and who did not have an opportunity last Sunday. The colored divine ought to be invited to preach in a white church; Were he Catholic, wonder if father Hagan or O'Kee would invite him in their pulpits?

The invitation from the Methodist to the Baptist Sunday Schol Union inviting them to form a Christian Sabbath School Union, was received last Sunday by the Baptist; but its adoption was opposed principally by ministers, Rev. Corprew of Portsmouth took the lead and the resolution was referred to a special committee of which he is chairman.

The more intelligent of the teachers favor accepting the invitation and meet in union once or twice a year, but doubt now if the committee will ever report; the Methodist regard this as unchristian-like and many parents who are divided upon the church question, say that their children shall not attend either Sunday School.

—By the payment of *twenty-five cents* monthly, rooms situated two blocks west of the city Post Office may be secured, giving the advantage of a reading room and literary society. As this opportunity is not likely to remain open long, those willing to go in such an enterprise are requested to send in their names and addresses to the undersigned at an early date. J. W. CROMWELL.
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—The Selika combination which sang for St. Luke's church last February, will appear in a concert for the benefit of the 19th. St. Baptist church early this Fall, at a cost not exceeding three hundred and fifty dollars.

—To-morrow afternoon at 3 30 o,clock, the Young People's and Young Men's Christain Association combined, will hold a union praise meeting, in the 19th. st. Baptist church. The public are invited.

—Mr. A. T. Baltimore, brother of Prof. J. D. Baltimore, the well known scientist, is in the city, Mr. Baltimore has recently returned from Spain and the Paris exhibition,

—Marshall Douglass will lecture in the new Centennial Church, Baltimore, Rev. J. H. Riddick pastor, on the first Sunday night in May, for the benefit of the church. Subject, "The condition, and relation of the Colored people." The congregation is the same that occupied the old Dallas St. church, the oldest Methodist church standing in Baltimore, and of which he was a member when he lived there. During his stay in the city, he will be the guest of the Voderys.

—On Tuesday night, after class meeting, at Ebenezer M. E. Church Capitol Hill, Mr. Henry Matthews, leaders, of class No. 6th. was presented with a suit of colthes, by the members of said class. After the presentation, Mr. Matthews responded in an eloquent manner, sxpressing his thanks to the class for their kindness.

DIED —on Saturday morning last, after a brief illness, Nelson Harrod a messenger in the United States Coast Survey. Deceased was a prominent member of the Berean Baptist church, the Young Men's Christian Association, and the United Aid Society. Deceased was perfectly conscious up to the time of his death, leaving directions as to the funeral services over his remains. He was buried from the Berean church last Tuesday afternoon. Rev. Wm. Waring officiated, assisted by Rev. M. Brodie of Bethel church.

GEORGETOWN DOTS.

—The Mt. Zion Sabbath School will have their annual May procession on Thursday evening the 1st. inst. at 5½ o'clock, and will attend the May Feast given by the Benvolent Aid of Zion No. 2 at market Hall where the crowning of the Queen will take place the Philharmonic band will head the procession.

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—The Neck-tie Festival given by the ladies of Asbury Church, at Lincoln Mission Hall was quite a success.

—The Young Men's Christian Memorial Association will continue holding Saturday evening prayer-meetings at 8 o'clock, in Bethel Hall. Their first one on last Saturday, was well attended.

—Miss M. A. B. McGinnis of Baltimore has been spending several days in our city. Madame Rumor has it, that she will be led to the altar next week by our enterprising young townsman Mr. George H. Lee, prior to her return to the Parental Mansion in the Monumental City.

Help the Refugees

A committee of ladies headed by Mrs. Maria Hayson, 427 H st. n. w. is preparing, a box of clothing to send to Kansas. Any of the articles can be left with Mrs. Rosa Middleton 474 E st. s. w., Mrs. Webster 220 G st. n. w. Miss Rebecca Thomkins 900 E st. s. w., and Mrs. Lucy Cromwell 1511 P st. n. w.

Aid for the Refugees.

On Sunday evening a meeting was held in Israel C. M. E. Church, for the purpose of raising funds to assist the fleeing refugees from the south. The church was filled to its uttermost capacity, notwithstanding but a few hours notice of the meeting had been given, thus showing the interest in the oppressed, now compelled to flee their homes for conscience sake.

The meeting wasopened by singing suitable for the occasion after which, Rev. Mitchel of A. M. E. Chuch, briefly stated the object of the meeting, and expressed a firm conviction, "That the God of the Hebrews was also our God, and as they were delivered from their persecution, so would our people be delivered from their modern Pharoah."

Mr. J. W. Cromwell, of the PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE, next addressed the meeting. He disclamed any intention of alluding to the wisdom or expediency of the exodus movement, but we are called, he said, to accept the facts as the exist, and apply the remedy. He showed the pressing need and immediate duty of each individual, to contribute for the healing of their suffering people.

"Israel Church" said the speaker, "being the mother of all the Methodist Churches of color, in the District, is just the place calculated to give impetus to the movement about to be inaugurated in this city. The Church is historic as being the place in which statesmen and scholars, in days passed, expressed disapprobation of the slave system, and advocated the necessity of our government giving equal, and exact justice to all men." Mr. Cromwell closed by urging each one to give liberally to the cause of suffering humanity.

Rev. Mr. Brown White of the M. E. Church from the state of Kansas, in a few and well-timed remarks, gave his hearers some idea of the class of white people in the South, who are now carrying on this persecution. He assured that the people who go to Kan. will be accorded all rights, it being the "Home of the Free," in the broadest sense of the term. Amid much enthusiasm the meeting adjourned. Rev. C. W. Fitzhugh deserves credit for getting up this meeting.

In Memorian.

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God in his divine providence to terminate the earthly existence of our beloved and venerable brother, Edmund Thornton a local preacher of our church, who departed this life on Thursday, 17th inst.

Therefore, be it RESOLVED: That we the members of Zion Baptist Church deeply deplore the loss of our departed brother.

Resolved:

That in the demise of Edmund Thornton, the church has lost an exemplary christian and zealous advocate, the ministry, a burning light, the community, a citizen and a gentleman of untarnished reputation.

Resolved;

That we tender the family our heart felt sympathy and prayers in their sad bereavement.

Resolved:

That in respect to our departed brother, the deacons and trustees will attend his funeral in a body.

Resolved:

That a copy of these resolutions be presented to the family of the deceased by the clerk, and that a copy be furnished the PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE and the *Evening Star* for publication.

—*The* NATIONAL CONFERENCE *of Colored Men will be held at* NASHVILLE, TENNESEE, *Tuesday, May* 6, 1879.

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My 54, 33, 7, 15, 40, 1, 2, 22, is a flower.
My 50, 30, 14, 46, 53, is a vessel.
My 27, 36, 3, 8, 34, 45, 38, 47, is power.
My 11, 16, 31, 17, 41, is a coin.
My 18, 19, 9, 14, 10, is to be awake.
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No. 61. CROSS WORD.

In dog not in cat.
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My 15, 48, 28, 38, 37 a fabric.
My 58, 1, 60, 61, 16, 63, 6, 65 is a feast of Jews.
My 34, 46, 9, 13, 26, Omen voice.
My 11, 17, 23, 21, 3, 12, 17, a day in the week.
My 5, 29, 2, 33, to suggest.
My 39, 10, 14, a conjunction.
My 6, 6 24, 59, an article.
My 27, 27, 25, 4, a kind of fish.
My 63, 49, 48, 30, 9, 32, 42, green.
My 50, 51, 52, 19, 45, is prepared.
My 31, 40, 41, 64, 50, beneath.
My 43, 49, 26, a verb.
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Prizes were awarded as follows: No. 42, C. Wel; No. 43, Mystic; No. 46, Pinkey and No. 49, Crux.

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Information reaches us that Mr. Tandy was accompanied and introduced to Frederick Douglass by E. Warren Hall. That sheds a glimmer of light upon any coldness of treatment Mr. Tandy may have received.

THE VETO.

The debate on the Army bill, the final passage of the measure and the subsequent veto of the President, brings to the front the most vital issue not only of the campaign of 1880 but of any campaign, i. e. the nature and power of the General Government to secure the purity of the ballot box. Stripped of all its verbiage, the naked question is, has the Federal Government the power under the constitution and the acts of Congress to throw around the election of its own officers, its members of Congress and President, those safe guards which the state provides for determining the choice of its own public servants?

The Democratic party says it has not, and that the Army and Navy acting under its lawful officers has not even power *to keep the peace at the polls*. On the other hand, the Republican party contends that the duty of the United States to regulate the time place and manner of electing members to the lower house would be useless, unless accompanied by the power to *execute* it.

President Hayes in refusing to give his assent to the bill which has in it that pernicious provision which gives full license to intimidation, corruption and fraud, has but recorded the unanimous opinion of all shades ~~of all shades~~ of Republicans and of the American people. The Democracy have not dared to deny the power of the United States over general elections; but it has aimed to paralyze that power by witholding the necessary provisions for maintaining it. The country will not be misled by the device, but see at once through the thin disguise the persistent and characteristic attack on the National Power.

MARSHAL DOUGLASS SPEAKS.

MR. EDITOR:

In your paper of last Saturday, you very offensively tell your readers that Frederick Douglass "turns a deaf ear" to the sufferings of his people who are now fleeing to Kansas. You could hardly make a more grievous charge against me; and let me therefore ask you for the evidence upon which it is based; thus far it simply rests upon your own assertion, and while I would not impugn your veracity, I hardly think your simple assertion, unsupported by evidence should be permitted to go unchallenged. The reputation of colored public men built up by long years of public service should not be wantonly thrown away by those who profess to be their friends. To your belittling comparisons, I make no reply, except to say, that I do not see anything in the exaltation of others or the attempted degradation of myself to justify your conclusion.

Yours Respectfully,
FRED. DOUGLASS.

Now, if Marshal Douglass will do us the kindness to read our last issue, he will find that is the New York people who were told that "he turns a deaf ear" and that Mr. Tandy is the man who tells them so. This was published in the daily papers of that city. Upon this we based our statement. We had previously heard from reliable parties personally known to Mr. Douglass that he had snubbed Mr. T., but we waited for a more authoritative utterance, this Mr. L. gives. Mr. D. will see that this statement is not one of our invention and that it does not rest upon *our* assertion. Hence, what he has to say about "impugning veracity, wantonly throwing away reputation &c., is only highly figurative and rhetorical, nothing more. It may be that our 'belittling comparisons" are not justified, but what has the public to say of the ridiculous manner in which he repeatedly belittles *an entire race*? Is there justification for that? We say again: the simple word of Mr. D. sufficed to open the hearts of our people last fall, to assist the yellow fever sufferers. Why, has he not said that word now? The people are suffering and he knows it. We do not indorse 'an illogical, unorganized exodus" any more than he, but when people are suffering—men, women and children, sick, with neither clothing nor food, we think the occasion demands more than language adapted only to cause sport and laughter of peopleand not enlist their sympathy and aid for a charitable cause.

NORFOLK NOTES.

—The necessity of a first-class hotel in this city for the accommodation of colored people has long been felt and our enterprising townsman, Thomas F. Paige, jr., has realized this fact, and is now fitting up the four story brick building, No. 10 Market Square, and when completed it will be the best of the kind that has as yet been opened in our city. The first floor will contain the office, bar room, dining room for transient customers and kitchen; on second floor will be located the billiard room, reading room, dining room for the guest of the hotel, with a card room in the rear; on the third floor these will be five sleeping rooms in addition to the bridal chamber, which has a reception room, adjoining; the fourth floor contains seven rooms.

—On Wednesday night last, the Bute St., A. M. E. Church was the scene of a brilliant marriage it being that of our venerable citizen, Cornelius Webb, to Miss Henrietta Haynes; the bride of forty-eight and the groom of sixty-two years.

"Man proposes, but God disposes." This old proverb was fully demonstrated on Sunday, April 6th in one of our Baptist Churches where the pastor without consulting the tide-table, made "April-fool" of about five hundred persons, causing them to go down to Selden's Point expecting to witness the baptizing of several candidates, but the tide had run too far out for safety, and the converts had to be sent to their homes without being immersed. However it is now proposed to have a pool in the church and until it is done we expect to hear nothing, but pool! pool! and may common sense, save us from another such a blunder. OCCASIONAL.

OUR NEW YORK LETTER.

THE PLEASANTS IRELAND NUPTIALS.

The New York Bethel A. M. E. Church was filled on the evening of April 24th with a select company of ladies and gentlemen the occasion being the celebration of the marriage ceremony between Miss Virginia Ireland and Mr. Cornelius Pleasants both of Richmond, Va.

The Rev. W. F. Dickson united the happy pair in the bonds of wedlock. Precisely at the appointed hour the bridal party entered the church and marched up the middle aisle while the organist rendered a wedding march with his usual skill. The ceremony was of short duration, and as the newly wedded pair left the church many an old shoe followed them, "for luck," thrown by friendly hands. Previous to the ceremony it had been announced that a reception would be held at the residence of a friend of the bride, and thither a large number of admiring friends soon assembled to offer their congratulations and view the presents. At the reception Misses Emma Ireland, sister of the bride, and Mattie Pleasants, sister of the groom, with Messrs G. W. Hardmond and Lewis Cheesemen received the guests.

The bride was dressed in merino, satin trimmed, and wore also very elegant but plain jewelry. Miss Emma Ireland was dressed in a very handsome organdy silk trimmed with pink satin and lace, and Miss Mattie Pleasants was attired in a white cashmere satin trimmed.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Groom, Mr. and Mrs. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. Walker and Messrs Watkins and Johnson from Richmond, Va.

The presents were numerous, and among those worthy of note was a very handsome gold watch and chain to the groom, and a set of plain gold studs. Mr. H. L. Smith sent sent one dozen silver tea spoons and two table spoons to match. Dr. W. T. Smith, one half dozen silver tea spoons; Mrs. J. D. Knoice sent one silver napkin ring and two silver butter-knives; Mr. E. T. Banks, a white satin fan in case; Miss A. Boldin, one cut glass fruit stand; Mr. G. E. Balter, pair of vases; Mrs. J. Brown, white spread; Miss Emma Ireland, white spread; Miss J. W. Gineur, half dozen cut-glass goblets; W. Mott, half dozen goblets; Miss Isabella Johnson, set of fruit dishes; Mrs. P. Height, a pair of silver candle-sticks; Miss T. L. Smith, three ground glass vases; Miss M. Allen, a large bronze lamp; Miss Ida Thomas, a pair of mustard cruets; Miss Kennedy a toilet set; Mr. H. L. Smith, a handsome copy of Hood's works; Mr. Frank Duncan, a picture in frame; Mr. G. W. Hardmond, hair-brush and comb to match—the hairbrush inlaid with pearl; and last but not least worthy of mention was a huge bridal cake from Mrs. E. Groom.

Pizarro at Ford's.

The Ira Aldridge Company made their *debut* in Pizarro or the Death of Rolla at Ford's Opera House Thursday evening, the first inst. The audience was quite small—a matter of much regret. Whether it is owing to the short notice given, the price of the tickets or the re-action against such amusements occasioned by the recent revival, remains to be seen. On the whole, the company deserves to be encouraged for the excellent manner of their performance. They have by no means reached the acme of artistic perfection, but they deserved a much better appreciation from the people of Washington than the slim audience of Thursday nigh'. Pizarro is a character suited to Mr. W. C. Chase's talents, but he is a trifle too tragic. Miss Annie Johnson as Lady Elvira won the admiration of the entire audience for her self-possession, ease, and sweetness of manner but she needs to cultivate force. Messrs C. J. Malord and S. K. Governs respectively as Las Casas and King Ataliba, conceived and acted their parts very well, so did B. S. Stewart as old Old Man, D. H. Stewart as Alonzo and J. Tucker as Orazembo. Mr. W. T. Benjamin we think unsuited to the character of Rolla and he is too tame and phlegmatic for that stirring hero so we regard Mrs. Marion Lee in the *role* of Cora; yet they both showed much improvement over former rehearsals. They have all done exceeding well for amateurs. What they need is a more enlarged conception of the play, systematic and intelligent instruction, and then practice.

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The gentlemen indicated have agreed to open up the discussions by the preparation of papers.

1.—Migration.—Rev. J. C. Embry, Kas.
2.—The sanitary condition of the colored people.—Dr A. T. Augusta, D. C.
3.—Beneficial associations, the expediency of consolidating them.—J. D. Bowser,
4.—Relation of the Negro to the labor question.—Prof. R. T. Greener.
5.—The present political status of the Negro.—J. C. Corbin, Ark.
6.—The necessity of a National Review devoted to the interests of the Negro-American.—Wm. Stewart, N. J.
7.—The moral and social condition of the Negro.—Bishop W. H. Miles.
8.—The opportunity and capabilities for educated [illegible]es.—Wm. Still, Phila., Pa.
9.—How [illegible]ll we promote race unity and w[illegible]he elements which now, retard it.—
10.—The necessity of agitating the question of the civil rights of the Negro, until they are fully secured.
11.—The necessity of Lyceums for the literary advancement of the Negro.
12.—Theory and practice of American Christianity.—Rev. B. T. Tanner.
13.—The necessity of technical and industrial education among our youth.—J. W. cromwell.
14.—The duty of assisting our youth of both sexes in attaining higher and special education.—Inman E. Page, Mo.
15.—Necessity of the cultivation of commerce.—R. H. Cain.
16.—Agriculture and its relation to the Negro race.—Hon. J. R. Lynch, Miss.
17.—Are the laws administered with justice to the Negro?
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—The Ladies Guild of St. Mary's P. E. Church realized the sum of five hundred dollars by the bazaar.

The worshippers of Union Bethel A. M. E. Church, Sunday night were disturbed by hearing several successive pistol shots; several ladies fainted and but for the forethought of the choir, a great stampede might have occurred. Policemen Layton and Bailey, who were in church pursued and captured the leader of the gong after a short chase and a score by a shot. The poor wretch still begging not to not to be killed. He was carried by them to the station where the sight of bars had the effect of makeing him turn traitor to his companions and reveal their names and they were captured before morning. Judge Snell may be depended upon, when such gentlemen appear before him.

—The union praise meeting held at the 19th Street Baptist Church last Sabbath afternoon was acknowledged to be the best meeting witnessed for many years. There were christians of different denominations present: Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterians and Episcopalians sending up their prayers praises to Him the giver of great blessing. It seemed that the lion and the lamb had laid down together How pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in love and union! May there be many more such meetings enjoyed by christian people.

A May Feast will be given by the Mite Society of the 19th Street Baptist Church for the benefit of the church, May 7, 1879. Admission 10 cents.

—Mrs. W. H. Garnet—Barbozo of New York is in the city the guest of Mrs. M. Nugent, 1507 P street, N. W.

—Arrangements have been perfected to transport delegates from Indianapolis to Nashville and returned by rail for $15.00. Delegates from the East passing through Indianapolis can avail themselves of this opportunity.

The Young Men's Christian Memorial Association held its first regular meeting Thursday night, the officers of the Association are president, Lewis A. Freeman; vice president, Hamilcar Turley; secretary and treasurer, Charles H. Porter; assistant secretary, J. Henry Lewis. Board of managers—Wm. T. Peel, David Clarke, Augusta Stewart, Edwin L. Thomas, John W. Bailey, Aaron Russell, George Cook, James A. Payne Jr. and W. Rose. This association is the outgrowth of the great revival which commenced Wednesday evening February 4th, in Union Bethel A. M. E. Church, immediately following upon the death of John T. Wright, the superintendent of the school.

Little did Wm. T. Peel, J. W. Bailey, and the young ladies and gentlemen who met in that room that night anticipate the great result which has following of ingathering of precious souls. Three hundred having been added to Union Bethel Church besides many professing religion there and jouning other churches. England's greatest writer has said,

"There is a *tide* in the affairs of man;
Which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune."

Does this not suggest the thought that there are special times in the Providence of God for the out pouring of his Holy Spirit.

—SPECIAL MEETING of the stockholders of the Enterprise Publishing Co. to night at the residence of the secretary 1511 P st. n. w. Delinqnents will pleasure come fowa'd and pay their dues. By order of the president.

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15th. Street Church

—The series of meetings which have been in progress at the 15th. street Presbyterian church has come to a close, the meetings have proved the most interesting and impressive that the church has known in fifteen years, resulting in the conversion of abont eighty persons, many of whom are ladies and gentlemen of high attainment and wide social influence. These converts will make their first communion and be received into the church on Snnday week, the 11th. inst., which is looked forward to by the church with much interest. We congratulate the able and devoted pastor Rev. Frank J. Grimke, at this gratifying resnlt of his pastorate. Mr. Grimke has been with us but a short time, but he has already won for himself a high place as a pulpit orator. His sermons attract audiences which fill the church to repletion: among his auditors may be frequently seen Associate Justices Strong and Harlan with their families, Gov. Claflin and others of high official station, who are drawn by the nerve and fire; the clearness and depth of thought and the grandeur and weight of his utterances. Indeed, with such able expounders of the truth as Rev. Dr. Crummell, Rev. Mr. Waring, Brodie and Grimke, Washington may well feel proud of its pulpit talent and its devotion to high purposes.

—The Baltimore Conference of the A. M. E. Church holds its sittings in Union Bethel church M st. bet. 15th. and 16th. sts. n. w. begining this morning. The revival begun twelve weeks ago is still in progress so the ministers may engage in active services. Great anxiety is felt with the members and friends of the church as to the re-appointment of Rev. G. W. Brodie who has had such a successful administration of offers during his two years endearing himself alike to members and friends. The result of the revival now in progress has been to add to the membership of the church three hundred members. We have no doubt but that in a few years the members of this church will have a house of worship that will compare with the one around the corner. Why not?

BALTIMORE NOTES.

The Board of Bishops of the A. M. E. Church comprising the following Bishops: D. A. Payne, James Shorter of Ohio, J. P. Campbell of Penn., J. M. Brown of Washington D. C., T. M. Ward of Texas, and A. W. Wayman of Md. have been in session at Bethel church for the week past investigating the state of the church. They report that they find the financial as well as the spiritual interest of this thriving connection in good condition.

We had the pleasure of calling upon them and obtaining their views upon the two important questions of the hour, viz: the Conference at Nashville and the Western Exodus. Upon the first question we found them unanimously in favor of just such a gathering as is proposed and predict that great good will result therefrom. Upon the other question they were divided and strong as it may seem, the division was a geographical one; for example: Bishop Payne and Shorter of Ohio think that it is the best move ever made by our people, and will do all in their power to aid it. On the other hand Bishop Ward of Texas is opposed to it, and denounces it as a fatal mistake that will eventually result in harm to the colored people of the South.

Bishop Campbell of Penn. is an earnest advocate of the movement, believing that the whites of the South will be taught by it, that they must treat the Negro better than they have, or that they will have no one to do their work; Bishop Brown of D. C. is of the same opinion, and is heart and soul in the movement. Against these as in the other case is a Southern man Bishop Wayman of this city. He thinks that no good can result from this westward travel; he looks upon it as a sell—a swindle of the rail road companies, and he thinks that the Negroes had better bear the ills which they endure, than to flee to those they know not of.

—Mr. Moody has left the city for a weeks, vacation. He preached twice last week at Sharp St. church to an overflowing house, there seemed to be no look of interest manifested, although he has been here some months. By his zeal and earnestness he has quicken every evangelical church in the city, and brought by his persuasive utterances, thousands into the fold.

—A genuine surprise was given to the Rev. J. W. Beckett, last night by a large number of his congregation and admirers. The gathering was so large that they could not get in at the parsonage, so they adjourned to the basement of the church and sent for him; he was of much surprised and felt so grateful to the company for their manifestation of love and esteem for their pastor, that he could scarcely reply to the eloquent address made in behalf of the participants by Miss Nuby. Quite a handsome sum was presented him; the unanimous wish of the Bethel congregation is that J. W. Beckett shall be returned for another year.

—Bishop Alexander Burgess of Illinois confirmed a class of thirty at St. Mary's on Sunday evening, as is usual the majority of

—On last Friday evening week, quite a pleasant time was spent by some of our belles and beaux at the residence of Prof. and Mrs. J. N. Costin, it being the twenty third anniversarary of their marriage. Dancing was indulged in, and refreshments served. Among those present were Dr. and Mrs. Henry J. Brown and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jakes Jr., Mrs. Jas. Harris, Miss Emily and Rosa Jakes, Messrs. Wheeler, Roberts, Bishop DeCoursey, and Blog. At a late hour tne company dispersed wishing the happy couple many happy returns. P. E. N.

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No. 61. "Douglass."

No. 62. Stalactites; Polyanthus; Sincere; Kidnapper.

No. 63. "And they went and found as he had said unto them and they made ready the passover."

No. 64. PRIZE CHARADE.

A disposition that is first,
Proudless darts can never burst
And thus can shun all erring ways;
Then lengthy numbered by his days,
Next gale of evil when it blows
Wide open the gates and sin enclose
In all its vileness and disgrace.
The wiser man flees from the place,
What's lost by this you soon will see
If when from cares and woes you're free
Or cloud of trouble overspread
Sails leaving dark, high overhead
Like when my beautious *whole* is hid
And Jupiter with forged bolts and bid
The lurid lightenings flash and light
Through endless space take speedy flight.
Then when the trying times beset
With trials, troubles, ne'er forget,
Face what danger that you durst,
Recollect to always be *first*

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No. 65. HALF WORD SQUARE.
LOVELY
OLIVE
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EVE
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Phila., Pa. MYSTIC.

No. 65. HALF WORD SQUARE.

Handsome; a plant; sordid; a name; a French article; a letter.

Savannah, Ga. LAUGHING JACK.

No. 66. CHARADE.

My First is an abbreviation.
My Second is a conjunction.
My Third is a male name.
My Whole means equitable..

Rodney, Miss. "ALCORN."

No. 67. PYRAMID AND SQUARE.

Across;—a letter; a c l r; stories; sweet;

Down;—a letter; a preposition; to become brown; a noted college; a French officer; an abbreviation; a letter.

The square is—to convert into leather; a drink; a French officer.

Champlain, N. Y. "IRNSIDES."

No. 68. CROSS WORD.

In May not in June,
In Late not in Soon.
In Niggard not in Mean.
In Dirty not in Clean.
In Star not in Moon.
In Spoons also in Spoon.
My Whole is a city.

Phila., Pa. BRACE UP.

No. 69. REVERSIBLE DIAMOND.

In Minot; thrown off ones balance; a title; a bank; in minot;

This puzzle is similar to "Randolph's" puzzle, and contains a square also reversible. Thus—an earth worm; a girl's name; to shut up.

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[illegible] Phila., Pa.

No. 70. [illegible]

Antiquetelosis; Antipal; [illegible]

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This Corset has a socket adjustment for the shoulders, so nicely contrived and fitted that it cannot by any means slip up on the neck or down on the arm; it has also a balance strap for sustaining the stockings. By these inventions the whole burden of the clothes is transferred to that part of the shoulder best adapted to sustain their weight; supporting everything without the least inconvenience, and almost without the wearer's consciousness, realizing the name we give to the garment—making it in very truth a Comfort Corset.

In the place of bones we insert continuous rows of *very stiff cord*, which give *all the support* of bones, with the advantage of *yielding to every movement of the form*, and of being washed without changing the fitness of the garment. Stylish and tasty as a French Corset, yet combining ease and comfort with elegance and shape, our corset has the unqualified approval of every physician that has seen it.

DIRECTIONS FOR MEASUREMENT FOR THE LADIES' COMFORT CORSET

For the *waist* measure, draw the tape tight around the waist over the dress, and deduct two inches for thickness of clothes.

For the *shoulder* measure, also taken over the dress, pass the tape around the shoulders (as shown in the illustration), draw moderately not tight, and make as the

SIZES of the Ladies' Comfort Corset in stock as follows:

Waist.	Shoulders.	Waist.	Shoulders.
18	34 36	28	38 40 42
20	34 36 38 40	30	40 42 44
22	34 36 38 40	32	40 42 44 46
24	34 38 40 42	34	42 44 46 48

Making 48 different sizes. All goods is made of the finest Sateens, white and drab. Sampling by mail for the Ladies' Comfort Corset, for 50 cents. Measurements in order to insure the Corsets will always be purchaser to send both the waist and shoulder measurements, when measuring by the above directions.

Manufactured and for sale by the

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